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Essay #1

Beauty from Ashes ✓

As the Phoenix rises from the ashes, so should one rise from one's hardships. To rise from the ashes means to ^{return after} prosper when tribulations ^{have} come. When destruction and chaos enter into one's life, ^{their response} the outcome reveals ^{their character} who he or she truly is, ^{whether they} This person can accept the outcome as a blessing or curse. In Hawthorne's Romantic novel The Scarlet Letter, Hester ~~Prayne~~ ^{both} accepts her child Pearl as a blessing and a curse because "Pearl keeps [Hester] here in life... [Pearl]

~~Cabo] tortures [Hester]" (Page: 63-64). An example of this in history is when the Alliance of World War 2 won the battle. The blessing is the victory, but the curse is the pain and torture the~~

~~Soldiers went through to win the war. In the Bible, Paul writes to a church in Corinth that he had "a thorn in [his] flesh... [Which] torment[ed] [him]" (2 Corinthians 12:7). Paul then uses his "thorn" as a blessing to please his God.~~ ^{could use this really well as a reference}

~~Weird - sentence -~~ Hawthorne expresses a curse as an evil, burdensome object easily torturing someone else. A prime example of Pearl torturing ^{as her mother by repeatedly} another human being is when Pearl constantly

^{ing the} addresses her mother's Scarlet Letter. Pearl is used by Hawthorne to give an example of how society views a curse. Pearl is ~~seen as a persona non grata~~ ^{is the product of} because she is unwelcomed by the majority of townsmen and women. ^{Puritans} The society in The Scarlet Letter viewed Pearl, for who she

was and who she belonged to, as ^{Pearl is associated with} ~~evil~~. Since Pearl was born from sin, the townspeople viewed Pearl as ^{dark} darkness, blackness, and evil. Hester's ^{consistently} attitude toward her child increases to "dreading ^[s] to [see] some dark and wild peculiarity" (Page: 41) in her child. ✓ Pearl eventually denies the fact

✓ of "hav[ing] a Heavenly Father" (Page: 50). The Puritan era is known as a religious era. Saying

Transition

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